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Operation Manual

Multi-CD control High power CD/MP3 player with FM/ AM tuner

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Thank you for buying this Pioneer product.

Please read through these operating instructions so you will know how to operate your model properly. *After you have finished reading the instructions, put them away in a safe place for future reference.*

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About this manual

This unit features a number of sophisticated functions ensuring superior reception and operation. All the functions have been designed for the easiest possible use, but many are not self-explanatory. This operation manual will help you benefit fully from this product's potential and to maximize your listening enjoyment.
We recommend that you familiarize yourself with the functions and their operation by reading through the manual before you begin using this unit. It is especially important that you read and observe precautions on this page and in other sections. ▣

Precautions

CAUTION:
USE OF CONTROL OR ADJUSTMENT OR PERFORMANCE OF PROCEDURES OTHER THAN THOSE SPECIFIED HEREIN MAY RESULT IN HAZARDOUS RADIATION EXPOSURE.

CAUTION:
THE USE OF OPTICAL INSTRUMENTS WITH THIS PRODUCT WILL INCREASE EYE HAZARD.

- Keep this manual handy as a reference for operating procedures and precautions.
- Always keep the volume low enough so you can hear sounds outside of the car.
- Protect this product from moisture.
- If the battery is disconnected or discharged, the preset memory will be erased and must be reprogrammed.
- If this unit does not operate properly, contact your dealer or nearest authorized Pioneer Service Station. ▣

Features

CD playback
Music CD/CD-R/CD-RW playback is possible.

MP3 file playback
It is possible to play back MP3 files recorded on CD-ROM/CD-R/CD-RW (ISO9660 Level 1/ Level 2 standard recordings).
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Protecting your unit from theft

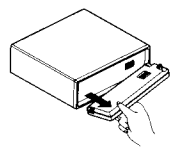
The front panel can be detached from the head unit and stored in the protective case provided to discourage theft.
- If the front panel is not detached from the head unit within five seconds of turning off the ignition, a warning tone will sound.
- You can turn off the warning tone. See *Switching the warning tone* on page 33.

Important
- Never use force or grip the display and the buttons tightly when removing or attaching.
- Avoid subjecting the front panel to excessive shocks.
- Keep the front panel out of direct sunlight and high temperatures.

Removing the front panel

1 Press OPEN to open the front panel.

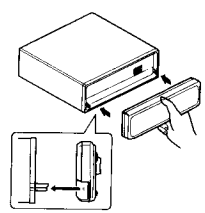
2 Grip the left side of the front panel and pull it gently outward.
Take care not to grip it tightly or drop it.



3 Put the front panel into the protective case provided for safe keeping.

Attaching the front panel

● Replace the front panel by holding it upright to this unit and clipping it securely into the mounting hooks.



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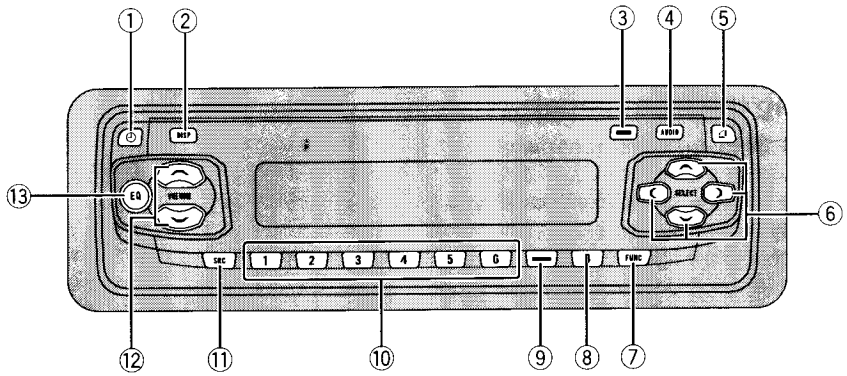


Head unit

① **CLOCK button**
Press to change to the clock display.

② **DISPLAY button**
Press to select different displays.

③ **PAUSE button**
Press to turn pause on or off.

④ **AUDIO button**
Press to select various sound quality controls.

⑤ **OPEN button**
Press to open the front panel.

⑥ **▲/▼/◄/► buttons**
Press to do manual seek tuning, fast forward, reverse and track search controls. Also used for controlling functions.

⑦ **FUNCTION button**
Press to select functions.

⑧ **BAND button**
Press to select among three FM and one AM bands and cancel the control mode of functions.

⑨ **LOUDNESS button**
Press to turn loudness on or off.

⑩ **1–6 buttons**
Press for preset tuning and disc number search when using a multi-CD player.

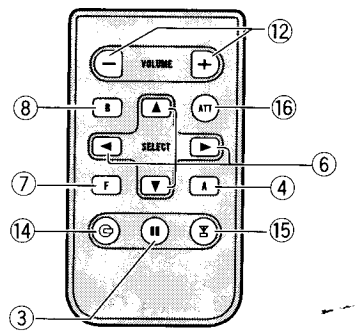
⑪ **SOURCE button**
This unit is turned on by selecting a source. Press to cycle through all of the available sources.

⑫ **VOLUME**
Press to increase or decrease the volume.

⑬ **EQ button**
Press to select various equalizer curves. ▣

Remote control

The remote control CD-R30 is sold separately.



Operation is the same as when using the button on the head unit. See the explanation of the head unit about the operation of each button with the exception of **ATT**, which is explained below.

⑭ **CD button**
Press to select the built-in or multi-CD player as the source.

⑮ **TUNER button**
Press to select the tuner as the source.

⑯ **ATT button**
Press to quickly lower the volume level, by about 90%. Press once more to return to the original volume level. ▣

Turning the unit on

● **Press SOURCE to turn the unit on.**
When you select a source the unit is turned on. ▣

Selecting a source

You can select a source you want to listen to. To switch to the built-in CD player, load a disc in this unit (refer to page 12).

1 When using the head unit, press SOURCE to select a source.
Press **SOURCE** repeatedly to switch between the following sources:
Built-in CD player—Television—Tuner—Multi-CD player—External unit 1—External unit 2—AUX

2 When using the remote control, press TUNER or CD to select a source.
Press each button repeatedly to switch between the following sources:
TUNER: Television—Tuner—Sources off
CD: Built-in CD player—Multi-CD player—Sources off

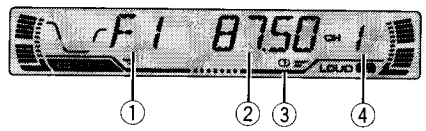
Notes

- In the following cases, the sound source will not change:
  - — When a unit corresponding to each source is not connected to this unit.
  - — When no disc is set in this unit.
  - — When no magazine is set in the multi-CD player.
  - — When the AUX (auxiliary input) is set to off (refer to page 33).
- External unit refers to a Pioneer product (such as one available in the future) that, although incompatible as a source, enables control of basic functions by this unit. Two external units can be controlled by this unit. When two external units are connected, the allocation of them to external unit 1 or external unit 2 is automatically set by this unit.
- When this unit's blue/white lead is connected to the car's auto-antenna relay control terminal, the car's antenna extends when this unit's source is turned on. To retract the antenna, turn the source off. ▣

Turning the unit off

● **Press SOURCE and hold until the unit turns off.** ▣

Listening to the radio



These are the basic steps necessary to operate the radio. More advanced tuner operation is explained starting on the next page.

Important

If you are using this unit in North, Central or South America, reset the AM tuning step (see *Setting the AM tuning step* on page 33).

① **Band indicator**
Shows which band the radio is tuned to, AM or FM.

② **Frequency indicator**
Shows to which frequency the tuner is tuned.

③ **Stereo (◌) indicator**
Shows that the frequency selected is being broadcast in stereo.

④ **Preset number indicator**
Shows what preset has been selected.

1 Press SOURCE to select the tuner.
Press **SOURCE** until tuner is selected as the source.

2 Use VOLUME to adjust the sound level.
Press to increase or decrease the volume.

3 Press BAND to select a band.
Press **BAND** until the desired band is displayed, **F1**, **F2**, **F3** for FM or **AM**.

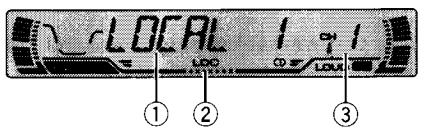
4 To perform manual tuning, press ◄ or ► with quick presses.
The frequencies move up or down step by step.

5 To perform seek tuning, press and hold ◄ or ► for about one second and release.
The tuner will scan the frequencies until a broadcast strong enough for good reception is found.
- You can cancel seek tuning by pressing either ◄ or ► with a quick press.
- If you press and hold ◄ or ► you can skip broadcasting stations. Seek tuning starts as soon as you release the buttons.

Note

When the frequency selected is being broadcast in stereo the stereo (◌) indicator will light. ▣

Introduction of advanced tuner operation



① **Function display**
Shows the function status.

② **LOC indicator**
Shows when local seek tuning is on.

③ **Preset number indicator**
Shows what preset has been selected.

● **Press FUNCTION to display the function names.**
Press **FUNCTION** repeatedly to switch between the following functions:
BSM (best stations memory)—**LOCAL** (local seek tuning)
▪ To return to the frequency display, press **BAND**.

Note

If you do not operate the function within about 30 seconds, the display is automatically returned to the frequency display. ▣

Storing and recalling broadcast frequencies

If you press any of the preset tuning buttons **1–6** you can easily store up to six broadcast frequencies for later recall with the touch of a button.

● **When you find a frequency that you want to store in memory press a preset tuning button 1–6 and hold until the preset number stops flashing.**
The number you have pressed will flash in the preset number indicator and then remain lit. The selected radio station frequency has been stored in memory.
The next time you press the same preset tuning button **1–6** the radio station frequency is recalled from memory.

Notes

- Up to 18 FM stations, 6 for each of the three FM bands, and 6 AM stations can be stored in memory.
- You can also use ▲ and ▼ to recall radio station frequencies assigned to preset tuning buttons **1–6**. ▣

Tuning in strong signals

Local seek tuning lets you tune in only those radio stations with sufficiently strong signals for good reception.

1 Press FUNCTION to select LOCAL.
Press **FUNCTION** until **LOCAL** appears in the display.

2 Press ▲ to turn local seek tuning on.
Local seek sensitivity (e.g., **LOCAL 2**) appears in the display.

3 Press ◄ or ► to set the sensitivity.
There are four levels of sensitivity for FM and two levels for AM:
FM: **LOCAL 1**—**LOCAL 2**—**LOCAL 3**—**LOCAL 4**
AM: **LOCAL 1**—**LOCAL 2**

The **LOCAL 4** setting allows reception of only the strongest stations, while lower settings let you receive progressively weaker stations.

4 When you want to return to normal seek tuning, press ▼ to turn local seek tuning off.
LOCAL:OFF appears in the display. ▣

Storing the strongest broadcast frequencies

BSM (best stations memory) lets you automatically store the six strongest broadcast frequencies under preset tuning buttons **1–6** and once stored there you can tune in to those frequencies with the touch of a button.

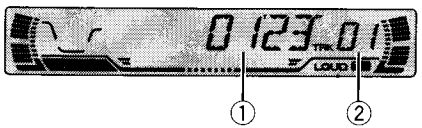
1 Press FUNCTION to select BSM.
Press **FUNCTION** until **BSM** appears in the display.

2 Press ▲ to turn BSM on.
BSM begins to flash. While **BSM** is flashing the six strongest broadcast frequencies will be stored under preset tuning buttons **1–6** in order of their signal strength. When finished, **BSM** stops flashing.
▪ To cancel the storage process, press ▼.

Note

Storing broadcast frequencies with BSM may replace broadcast frequencies you have saved using **1–6**. ▣

Playing a CD



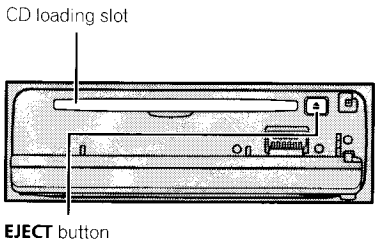
These are the basic steps necessary to play a CD with your built-in CD player. More advanced CD operation is explained starting on the next page.

① **Play time indicator**
Shows the elapsed playing time of the current track.

② **Track number indicator**
Shows the track currently playing.

1 Press OPEN to open the front panel.
CD loading slot appears.
- After a CD has been inserted, press **SOURCE** to select the built-in CD player.

2 Insert a CD into the CD loading slot.
Playback will automatically start.



- You can eject a CD by pressing **EJECT**.
- To avoid a malfunction, make sure that no metal object comes into contact with the terminals when the front panel is open.

3 Close the front panel.

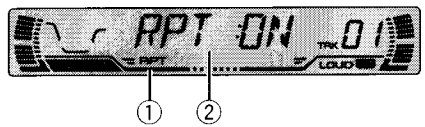
4 Use VOLUME to adjust the sound level.
Press to increase or decrease the volume.

5 To perform fast forward or reverse, press and hold ◄ or ►.
- If you select the search method to **ROUGH**, pressing and holding ◄ or ► enables you to search every ten track in the current disc. (Refer to *Selecting the search method* on page 14.)

6 To skip back or forward to another track, press ◄ or ►.
Pressing ► skips to the start of the next track. Pressing ◄ once skips to the start of the current track. Pressing again will skip to the previous track.

Notes
- The built-in CD player plays one, standard, 12-cm or 8-cm (single) CD at a time. Do not use an adapter when playing 8-cm CDs.
- Do not insert anything other than a CD into the CD loading slot.
- If you cannot insert a disc completely or if after you insert a disc the disc does not play, check that the label side of the disc is up. Press **EJECT** to eject the disc, and check the disc for damage before inserting the disc again.
- If the built-in CD player does not operate properly, an error message such as **ERROR-11** may be displayed. Refer to *Understanding built-in CD player error messages* on page 35.
- When a CD TEXT disc is inserted, the disc and track titles begin to scroll to the left automatically. ▣

Introduction of advanced built-in CD player operation



① **RPT indicator**
Shows when repeat play is turned on.

② **Function display**
Shows the function status.

● **Press FUNCTION to display the function names.**
Press **FUNCTION** repeatedly to switch between the following functions:
RPT (repeat play)—**RDM** (random play)—**SCAN** (scan play)—**PAUSE** (pause)—**FF/REV** (search method)—**TAG** (ID3 tag display)
- To return to the playback display, press **BAND**.

Notes
- When playing audio data (CD-DA), it is not effective even if you turn **TAG** (ID3 tag display) on. (Refer to page 20.)
- If you do not operate the function within about 30 seconds, the display is automatically returned to the playback display. ▣

Repeating play

Repeat play lets you hear the same track over again.

1 Press FUNCTION to select RPT.
Press **FUNCTION** until **RPT** appears in the display.

2 Press ▲ to turn repeat play on.
RPT :ON appears in the display. The track currently playing will play and then repeat.

3 Press ▼ to turn repeat play off.
RPT :OFF appears in the display. The track currently playing will continue to play and then play the next track.

Note
If you perform track search or fast forward/reverse, repeat play is automatically cancelled. ▣

Playing tracks in a random order

Random play lets you play back tracks on the CD in a random order.

1 Press FUNCTION to select RDM.
Press **FUNCTION** until **RDM** appears in the display.

2 Press ▲ to turn random play on.
RDM :ON appears in the display. Tracks will play in a random order.

3 Press ▼ to turn random play off.
RDM :OFF appears in the display. Tracks will continue to play in order. ▣

Scanning tracks of a CD

Scan play lets you hear the first 10 seconds of each track on the CD.

1 Press FUNCTION to select SCAN.
Press **FUNCTION** until **SCAN** appears in the display.

2 Press ▲ to turn scan play on.
SCAN:ON appears in the display. The first 10 seconds of each track is played.

3 When you find the desired track press ▼ to turn scan play off.
SCAN:OFF appears in the display. The track will continue to play.
- If the display has automatically returned to the playback display, select **SCAN** again by pressing **FUNCTION**.

Note

After scanning of a CD is finished, normal playback of the tracks will begin again.

Pausing CD playback

Pause lets you temporarily stop playback of the CD.

1 Press FUNCTION to select PAUSE.
Press **FUNCTION** until **PAUSE** appears in the display.

2 Press ▲ to turn pause on.
PAUSE:ON appears in the display. Play of the current track pauses.

3 Press ▼ to turn pause off.
PAUSE:OFF appears in the display. Play will resume at the same point that you turned pause on.

Note

You can also turn pause on or off by pressing **PAUSE**.

Selecting the search method

You can switch the search method between fast forward/reverse and searching every 10 track.

1 Press FUNCTION to select FF/REV.
Press **FUNCTION** until **FF/REV** appears in the display.
- If the search method **ROUGH** has been previously selected, **ROUGH** will be displayed.

2 Press ◄ or ► to select the search method.
Press ◄ or ► until the desired search method appears in the display.
- **FF/REV** – Fast forward and reverse
- **ROUGH** – Searching every 10 track

Searching every 10 track in the current disc

If a disc contains over 10 tracks, you can search every 10 track. When a disc contains a lot of tracks, you can roughly search the track you want to play.

1 Select the search method ROUGH.
Refer to *Selecting the search method* on this page.

2 Press and hold ◄ or ► to search every 10 track in a disc.
- If a disc contains less than 10 tracks, pressing and holding ► recalls the last track of a disc. Also, if the remaining number of tracks after searching every 10 tracks are less than 10, pressing and holding ► recalls the last track of a disc.
- If a disc contains less than 10 tracks, pressing and holding ◄ recalls the first track of a disc. Also, if the remaining number of tracks after searching every 10 tracks are less than 10, pressing and holding ◄ recalls the first track of a disc.

Using disc title functions

You can input CD titles and display the title. The next time you insert a CD for which you have entered a title, the title of that CD will be displayed.

Entering disc titles

Disc title input lets you input CD titles up to 8 letters long and up to 48 disc titles into the built-in CD player.

1 Play a CD that you want to enter the title.

2 Press FUNCTION and hold until TITLE IN appears in the display.
- When playing a CD TEXT disc, you cannot switch to **TITLE IN**. The disc title will have already been recorded on a CD TEXT disc.

3 Press ▲ or ▼ to select a letter of the alphabet.
Each press of ▲ will display a letter of the alphabet in **A B C ... X Y Z**, numbers and symbols in **1 2 3 ... > [ ]** order. Each press of ▼ will display a letter in the reverse order, such as **Z Y X ... C B A** order.

4 Press ► to move the cursor to the next character position.
When the letter you want is displayed, press ► to move the cursor to the next position and then select the next letter. Press ◄ to move backwards in the display.

5 Move the cursor to the last position by pressing ► after entering the title.
When you press ► one more time, the entered title is stored in memory.

6 Press BAND to return to the playback display.

Notes
- Titles remain in memory, even after the disc has been removed from built-in CD player, and are recalled when the disc is reinserted.
- After data for 48 discs has been stored in memory, data for a new disc will overwrite the oldest one.
- If you connect a multi-CD player, you can input disc titles for up to 100 discs.

Displaying disc titles

You can display the title of any disc that has had a disc title entered.

- **Press DISPLAY.**

Press **DISPLAY** repeatedly to switch between the following settings:
Play time—**DISC TTL** (disc title)
When you select **DISC TTL**, the title of the currently playing disc is shown in the display.
- If no title has been entered for the currently playing disc, **NO TITLE** is displayed.

Using CD TEXT functions

Some discs have certain information encoded on the disc during manufacture. These discs may contain such information as the CD title, track title, artist's name and playback time and are called CD TEXT discs. Only these specially encoded CD TEXT discs support the functions listed below.

Displaying titles on CD TEXT discs

- **Press DISPLAY.**

Press **DISPLAY** repeatedly to switch between the following settings:

Play time—**DISC TTL** (disc title)—**ART NAME** (disc artist name)—**TRK TTL** (track title)—**ART NAME** (track artist name)

- If specific information has not been recorded on a CD TEXT disc, **NO XXXX** will be displayed (e.g., **NO D-TTL**).

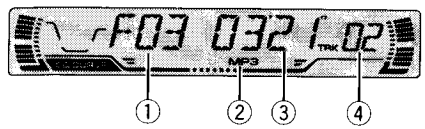
Scrolling titles in the display

This unit can display the first 8 letters only of **DISC TTL**, **ART NAME**, **TRK TTL** and **ART NAME**. When the recorded information is longer than 8 letters, you can scroll the text to the left so that the rest of the title can be seen.

● **Press DISPLAY and hold until the title begins to scroll to the left.**

The rest of the title will appear in the display. ▣

Playing a MP3



These are the basic steps necessary to play an MP3 with your built-in CD player. More advanced MP3 operation is explained starting on the next page.

① **Folder number indicator**
Shows the folder number currently playing.

② **MP3 indicator**
Shows when the MP3 file is playing.

③ **Play time indicator**
Shows the elapsed playing time of the current track (file).

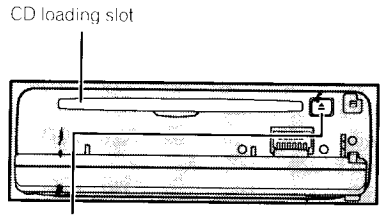
④ **Track number indicator**
Shows the track (file) currently playing.

- If a track number 100 to 199 is selected, ▶ on the left of the track number indicator will light.
- If a track number 200 or more is selected, ▶ on the left of the track number indicator will blink.

1 Press OPEN to open the front panel.
CD loading slot appears.

- After a CD-ROM has been inserted, press **SOURCE** to select the built-in CD player.

2 Insert a CD-ROM into the CD loading slot.
Playback will automatically start.



- You can eject a CD-ROM by pressing **EJECT**.
- To avoid a malfunction, make sure that no metal object comes into contact with the terminals when the front panel is open.

3 Close the front panel.

4 Use VOLUME to adjust the sound level.
Press to increase or decrease the volume.

5 Press ▲ or ▼ to select a folder.

- You cannot select a folder that does not have an MP3 file recorded in it.
- To return to folder 01 (ROOT), press and hold **BAND**. However, if folder 01 (ROOT) contains no files, playback commences with folder 02.

6 To perform fast forward or reverse, press and hold ◀ or ▶.

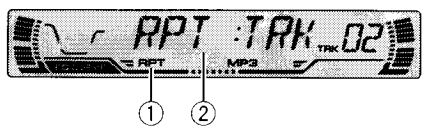
- This is fast forward and reverse operation only for the file being played. This operation is canceled when the previous or next file is reached.
- If you select the search method to **ROUGH**, pressing and holding ◀ or ▶ enables you to search every ten track in the current folder. (Refer to *Selecting the search method* on page 20.)

7 To skip back or forward to another track, press ◀ or ▶.
Pressing ▶ skips to the start of the next track. Pressing ◀ once skips to the start of the current track. Pressing again will skip to the previous track.

Notes

- When playing discs with MP3 files and audio data (CD-DA) such as CD-EXTRA and MIXED-MODE CDs, both types can be played only by switching mode between MP3 and CD-DA with **BAND**.
- If you have switched between playback of MP3 files and audio data (CD-DA), playback starts at the first track on the disc.
- The built-in CD player can play back an MP3 file recorded on CD-ROM. (Refer to page 36 for files that can be played back.)
- Do not insert anything other than a CD into the CD loading slot.
- There is sometimes a delay between starting up playback and the sound being issued. This is particularly the case when playing back multi-session and many folders. When being read in, **FRMTREAD** is displayed.
- If you cannot insert a disc completely or if after you insert a disc the disc does not play, check that the label side of the disc is up. Press **EJECT** to eject the disc, and check the disc for damage before inserting the disc again.
- Playback is carried out in order of file number. Folders are skipped if they contain no files. (If folder 01 (ROOT) contains no files, playback commences with folder 02.)
- When playing back files recorded as VBR (variable bit rate) files, the play time will not be correctly displayed if fast forward or reverse operations are used.
- If inserted disc contains no files that can be played back, **NO AUDIO** is displayed.
- There is no sound on fast forward or reverse.
- If the built-in CD player does not operate properly, an error message such as **ERROR-11** may be displayed. Refer to *Understanding built-in CD player error messages* on page 35.
- When a MP3 disc is inserted, folder name and file name begin to scroll to the left automatically.

Introduction of advanced built-in CD player (MP3) operation



① **RPT indicator**
Shows when repeat range is selected to current track (file).

② **Function display**
Shows the function status.

● **Press FUNCTION to display the function names.**
Press **FUNCTION** repeatedly to switch between the following functions:
RPT (repeat play)—**RDM** (random play)—**SCAN** (scan play)—**PAUSE** (pause)—**FF/REV** (search method)—**TAG** (ID3 tag display)

▪ To return to the playback display, press **BAND**.

Note

If you do not operate the function within about 30 seconds, the display is automatically returned to the playback display.

Repeating play

For MP3 playback, there are three repeat play ranges: **FLD** (folder repeat), **TRK** (one-track repeat) and **DSC** (repeat all tracks).

1 Press FUNCTION to select RPT.
Press **FUNCTION** until **RPT** appears in the display.

2 Press ◄ or ► to select the repeat range.
Press ◄ or ► until the desired repeat range appears in the display.

- **FLD** – Repeat the current folder
- **TRK** – Repeat just the current track
- **DSC** – Repeat all tracks

Notes

- If you select other folder during repeat play, the repeat play range changes to **DSC**.
- If you perform track search or fast forward/reverse during **TRK**, the repeat play range changes to **FLD**.
- When **FLD** is selected, it is not possible to play back a subfolder of that folder.

Playing tracks in a random order

Random play lets you play back tracks in a random order within the repeat range, **FLD** and **DSC**.

1 Select the repeat range.
Refer to *Repeating play* on the previous page.

2 Press FUNCTION to select RDM.
Press **FUNCTION** until **RDM** appears in the display.

3 Press ▲ to turn random play on.
RDM :ON appears in the display. Tracks will play in a random order within the previously selected **FLD** or **DSC** ranges.

4 Press ▼ to turn random play off.
RDM :OFF appears in the display. Tracks will continue to play in order.

Note

If you turn random play on during **FLD** and then return to the playback display, **FRDM** appears in the display.

Scanning folders and tracks

While you are using **FLD**, the beginning of each track in the selected folder plays for about 10 seconds. When you are using **DSC**, the beginning of the first track of each folder is played for about 10 seconds.

1 Select the repeat range.
Refer to *Repeating play* on the previous page.

2 Press FUNCTION to select SCAN.
Press **FUNCTION** until **SCAN** appears in the display.

3 Press ▲ to turn scan play on.
SCAN:ON appears in the display. The first 10 seconds of each track of the current folder (or the first track of each folder) is played.

4 When you find the desired track (or folder) press ▼ to turn scan play off.
SCAN:OFF appears in the display. The track (or folder) will continue to play.

▪ If the display has automatically returned to the playback display, select **SCAN** again by pressing **FUNCTION**.

Notes

- After track or folder scanning is finished, normal playback of the tracks will begin again.
- If you turn scan play on during **FLD** and then return to the playback display, **FSCN** appears in the display.

English

Pausing MP3 playback

Pause lets you temporarily stop playback of the MP3.

1 Press FUNCTION to select PAUSE.
Press **FUNCTION** until **PAUSE** appears in the display.

2 Press ▲ to turn pause on.
PAUSE:ON appears in the display. Play of the current track pauses.

3 Press ▼ to turn pause off.
PAUSE:OFF appears in the display. Play will resume at the same point that you turned pause on.

Note

You can also turn pause on or off by pressing **PAUSE**.

Selecting the search method

You can switch the search method between fast forward/reverse and searching every 10 track.

1 Press FUNCTION to select FF/REV.
Press **FUNCTION** until **FF/REV** appears in the display.
- If the search method **ROUGH** has been previously selected, **ROUGH** will be displayed.

2 Press ◄ or ► to select the search method.
Press ◄ or ► until the desired search method appears in the display.
- **FF/REV** – Fast forward and reverse
- **ROUGH** – Searching every 10 track

Searching every 10 track in the current folder

If the current folder contains over 10 tracks, you can search every 10 track. When the one folder contains a lot of tracks, you can roughly search the track you want to play.

1 Select the search method ROUGH.
Refer to *Selecting the search method* on this page.

2 Press and hold ◄ or ► to search every 10 track in the current folder.
- If the current folder contains less than 10 tracks, pressing and holding ► recalls the last track of the folder. Also, if the remaining number of tracks after searching every 10 tracks are less than 10, pressing and holding ► recalls the last track of the folder.
- If the current folder contains less than 10 tracks, pressing and holding ◄ recalls the first track of the folder. Also, if the remaining number of tracks after searching every 10 tracks are less than 10, pressing and holding ◄ recalls the first track of the folder.

Switching the ID3 tag display on MP3 disc

It is possible to turn the ID3 tag display on MP3 disc on or off, if MP3 disc contains the ID3 tag.
- ID3 tag refers to text information such as track title and artist name.

1 Press FUNCTION to select TAG.
Press **FUNCTION** until **TAG** appears in the display.

2 Press ▲ to turn ID3 tag display on.
TAG :ON appears in the display.

3 Press ▼ to turn ID3 tag display off.
TAG :OFF appears in the display.

Note

When you turn the ID3 tag on, this unit returns to the beginning of the current track in order to read the text information.

Displaying text information on MP3 disc

Text information recorded on a MP3 disc can be displayed.

- **Press DISPLAY.**

Press **DISPLAY** repeatedly to switch between the following settings:
Play time—**FOLDER** (folder name)—**FILE** (file name)—**TRK TTL** (track title)—**ART NAME** (artist name)—**ALBM TTL** (album title)—**COMMENT** (comment)—Bit rate
- When playing back files recorded as VBR (variable bit rate) files, the bit rate value is not displayed even after switching to bit rate. (**VBR** will be displayed.)
- When you have turned ID3 tag display off, you cannot switch to **TRK TTL**, **ART NAME**, **ALBM TTL** and **COMMENT**.
- If specific information has not been recorded on a MP3 disc, **NO XXXX** will be displayed (e.g., **NO NAME**).

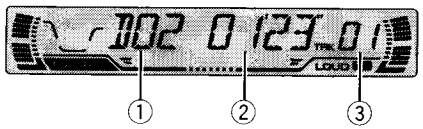
Scrolling text information in the display

This unit can display the first 8 letters only of **FOLDER**, **FILE**, **TRK TTL**, **ART NAME**, **ALBM TTL** and **COMMENT**. When the recorded information is longer than 8 letters, you can scroll the text to the left so that the rest of the text information can be seen.

- **Press DISPLAY and hold until the text information begins to scroll to the left.**

The rest of the text information will appear in the display.

Playing a CD



You can use this unit to control a multi-CD player, which is sold separately.
These are the basic steps necessary to play a CD with your multi-CD player. More advanced CD operation is explained starting on the next page.

① **Disc number indicator**
Shows the disc currently playing.

② **Play time indicator**
Shows the elapsed playing time of the current track.

③ **Track number indicator**
Shows the track currently playing.

1 Press SOURCE to select the multi-CD player.
Press **SOURCE** until multi-CD is selected as the source.

2 Use VOLUME to adjust the sound level.
Press to increase or decrease the volume.

3 Select a disc you want to listen to with the 1–6 buttons.
For discs located at 1 to 6, press the corresponding number button.
If you want to select a disc located at 7 to 12, press and hold the corresponding numbers such as **1** for disc 7, until the disc number appears in the display.
- You can also sequentially select a disc by pressing ▲/▼.

4 To perform fast forward or reverse, press and hold ◄ or ►.

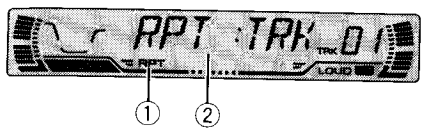
5 To skip back or forward to another track, press ◄ or ►.
Pressing ► skips to the start of the next track. Pressing ◄ once skips to the start of the current track. Pressing again will skip to the previous track.

Notes
- When the multi-CD player performs the preparatory operations, **READY** is displayed.
- If the multi-CD player does not operate properly, an error message such as **ERROR-11** may be displayed. Refer to the multi-CD player owner's manual.
- If there are no discs in the multi-CD player magazine, **NO DISC** is displayed.
- When you select a CD TEXT disc on a CD TEXT compatible multi-CD player, the disc and track titles begin to scroll to the left automatically. ▣

50-disc multi-CD player

Only those functions described in this manual are supported for 50-disc multi-CD players. ▣

Introduction of advanced multi-CD player operation



① **RPT indicator**
Shows when repeat range is selected to current track.

② **Function display**
Shows the function status.

● **Press FUNCTION to display the function names.**
Press **FUNCTION** repeatedly to switch between the following functions:
RPT (repeat play)—**RDM** (random play)—**SCAN** (scan play)—**ITS-P** (ITS play)—**PAUSE** (pause)—**COMP** (compression and DBE)
- To return to the playback display, press **BAND**.

Note
If you do not operate the function within about 30 seconds, the display is automatically returned to the playback display. ▣

Repeating play

There are three repeat play ranges for the multi-CD player: **MCD** (multi-CD player repeat), **TRK** (one-track repeat) and **DSC** (disc repeat).

1 Press FUNCTION to select RPT.
Press **FUNCTION** until **RPT** appears in the display.

2 Press ◄ or ► to select the repeat range.
Press ◄ or ► until the desired repeat range appears in the display.
- **MCD** – Repeat all discs in the multi-CD player
- **TRK** – Repeat just the current track
- **DSC** – Repeat the current disc

Notes
- If you select other discs during repeat play, the repeat play range changes to **MCD**.
- If you perform track search or fast forward/reverse during **TRK**, the repeat play range changes to **DSC**. ▣

Playing tracks in a random order

Random play lets you play back tracks in a random order within the repeat range, **MCD** and **DSC**.

1 Select the repeat range.
Refer to *Repeating play* on this page.

2 Press FUNCTION to select RDM.
Press **FUNCTION** until **RDM** appears in the display.

3 Press ▲ to turn random play on.
RDM :ON appears in the display. Tracks will play in a random order within the previously selected **MCD** or **DSC** ranges.

4 Press ▼ to turn random play off.
RDM :OFF appears in the display. Tracks will continue to play in order.

English

Note

If you turn random play on during **DSC** and then return to the playback display, **DRDM** appears in the display.

Scanning CDs and tracks

While you are using **DSC**, the beginning of each track on the selected disc plays for about 10 seconds. When you are using **MCD**, the beginning of the first track of each disc is played for about 10 seconds.

1 Select the repeat range.
Refer to *Repeating play* on the previous page.

2 Press FUNCTION to select SCAN.
Press **FUNCTION** until **SCAN** appears in the display.

3 Press ▲ to turn scan play on.
SCAN :ON appears in the display. The first 10 seconds of each track of the current disc (or the first track of each disc) is played.

4 When you find the desired track (or disc) press ▼ to turn scan play off.
SCAN :OFF appears in the display. The track (or disc) will continue to play.

- If the display has automatically returned to the playback display, select **SCAN** again by pressing **FUNCTION**.

Notes

- After track or disc scanning is finished, normal playback of the tracks will begin again.
- If you turn scan play on during **DSC** and then return to the playback display, **DSCN** appears in the display.

Pausing CD playback

Pause lets you temporarily stop playback of the CD.

1 Press FUNCTION to select PAUSE.
Press **FUNCTION** until **PAUSE** appears in the display.

2 Press ▲ to turn pause on.
PAUSE:ON appears in the display. Play of the current track pauses.

3 Press ▼ to turn pause off.
PAUSE:OFF appears in the display. Play will resume at the same point that you turned pause on.

Note

You can also turn pause on or off by pressing **PAUSE**.

Using ITS playlists

ITS (instant track selection) lets you make a playlist of favorite tracks from those in the multi-CD player magazine. After you have added your favorite tracks to the playlist you can turn on ITS play and play just those selections.

Creating a playlist with ITS programming

You can use ITS to enter and playback up to 99 tracks per disc, up to 100 discs (with the disc title). (With multi-CD players sold before the CDX-P1250 and CDX-P650, up to 24 tracks can be stored in the playlist.)

1 Play a CD that you want to program.
Press ▲ or ▼ to select a CD.

2 Press FUNCTION and hold until TITLE IN appears in the display, then press FUNCTION to select ITS.
After **TITLE IN** is displayed, press **FUNCTION** repeatedly, the following functions appear in the display:
TITLE IN (disc title input)—**ITS** (ITS programming)

3 Select a desired track by pressing ◄ or ►.

4 Press ▲ to store the currently playing track in the playlist.
IN is displayed briefly and the currently playing selection is added to your playlist. The display then shows **ITS** again.

5 Press BAND to return to the playback display.

Note

After data for 100 discs has been stored in memory, data for a new disc will overwrite the oldest one.

Playback from your ITS playlist

ITS play lets you listen to the tracks that you have entered into your ITS playlist. When you turn on ITS play, tracks from your ITS playlist in the multi-CD player will begin to play.

1 Select the repeat range.
Refer to *Repeating play* on page 23.

2 Press FUNCTION to select ITS-P.
Press **FUNCTION** until **ITS-P** appears in the display.

3 Press ▲ to turn ITS play on.
ITS-P:ON appears in the display. Playback begins of those tracks from your playlist within the previously selected **MCD** or **DSC** ranges.

- If no tracks in the current range are programmed for ITS play then **EMPTY** is displayed.

4 Press ▼ to turn ITS play off.
ITS-P:OFF appears in the display. Playback will continue in normal order from the currently playing track and CD.

Erasing a track from your ITS playlist

When you want to delete a track from your ITS playlist, you can if ITS play is on.
If ITS play is already on, skip to step 2. If ITS play is not already on, press **FUNCTION**.

1 Play a CD you want to delete a track from your ITS playlist, and turn ITS play on.
Refer to *Playback from your ITS playlist* on this page.

2 Press FUNCTION and hold until TITLE IN appears in the display, then press FUNCTION to select ITS.
After **TITLE IN** is displayed, press **FUNCTION** until **ITS** appears in the display.

3 Select a desired track by pressing ◄ or ►.

4 Press ▼ to erase a track from your ITS playlist.
The currently playing selection is erased from your ITS playlist and playback of the next track from your ITS playlist begins.

- If there are no tracks from your playlist in the current range, **EMPTY** is displayed and normal play resumes.

5 Press BAND to return to the playback display.

Erasing a CD from your ITS playlist

When you want to delete all tracks of a CD from your ITS playlist, you can if ITS play is off.

1 Play a CD that you want to delete.
Press ▲ or ▼ to select a CD.

2 Press FUNCTION and hold until TITLE IN appears in the display, then press FUNCTION to select ITS.
After **TITLE IN** is displayed, press **FUNCTION** until **ITS** appears in the display.

3 Press ▼ to erase all tracks on the currently playing CD from your ITS playlist.
All tracks on the currently playing CD are erased from your playlist and **CLEAR** is displayed.

4 Press BAND to return to the playback display.

Using disc title functions

You can input CD titles and display the title. Then you can easily search for and select a desired disc for play.

Entering disc titles

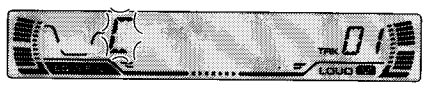
Disc title input lets you input CD titles up to 8 letters long and up to 100 disc titles (with ITS playlist) into the multi-CD player.

1 Play a CD that you want to enter the title.
Press ▲ or ▼ to select a CD.

2 Press FUNCTION and hold until TITLE IN appears in the display.
After **TITLE IN** is displayed, press **FUNCTION** repeatedly, the following functions appear in the display:
TITLE IN (disc title input)—**ITS** (ITS programming)

- When playing a CD TEXT disc on a CD TEXT compatible multi-CD player, you cannot switch to **TITLE IN**. The disc title will have already been recorded on a CD TEXT disc.

3 Press ▲ or ▼ to select a letter of the alphabet.
Each press of ▲ will display a letter of the alphabet in **A B C ... X Y Z**, numbers and symbols in **1 2 3 ... > [ ]** order. Each press of ▼ will display a letter in the reverse order, such as **Z Y X ... C B A** order.



4 Press ► to move the cursor to the next character position.
When the letter you want is displayed, press ► to move the cursor to the next position and then select the next letter. Press ◄ to move backwards in the display.

5 Move the cursor to the last position by pressing ► after entering the title.
When you press ► one more time, the entered title is stored in memory.

6 Press BAND to return to the playback display.

Notes

- Titles remain in memory, even after the disc has been removed from the magazine, and are recalled when the disc is reinserted.
- After data for 100 discs has been stored in memory, data for a new disc will overwrite the oldest one.

Displaying disc titles

You can display the title of any disc that has had a disc title entered.

- **Press DISPLAY.**

Press **DISPLAY** repeatedly to switch between the following settings:
Play time—**DISC TTL** (disc title)
When you select **DISC TTL**, the title of the currently playing disc is shown in the display.

- If no title has been entered for the currently playing disc, **NO TITLE** is displayed.

Using CD TEXT functions

You can use these functions only with a CD TEXT compatible multi-CD player.
Some discs have certain information encoded on the disc during manufacture. These discs may contain such information as the CD title, track title, artist's name and playback time and are called CD TEXT discs. Only these specially encoded CD TEXT discs support the functions listed below.

Displaying titles on CD TEXT discs

- **Press DISPLAY.**

Press **DISPLAY** repeatedly to switch between the following settings:
Play time—**DISC TTL** (disc title)—**ART NAME** (disc artist name)—**TRK TTL** (track title)—**ART NAME** (track artist name)

- If specific information has not been recorded on a CD TEXT disc, **NO XXXX** will be displayed (e.g., **NO D-TTL**).

Scrolling titles in the display

This unit can display the first 8 letters only of **DISC TTL**, **ART NAME**, **TRK TTL** and **ART NAME**. When the recorded information is longer than 8 letters, you can scroll the text to the left so that the rest of the title can be seen.

- **Press DISPLAY and hold until the title begins to scroll to the left.**

The rest of the title will appear in the display.

Using compression and bass emphasis

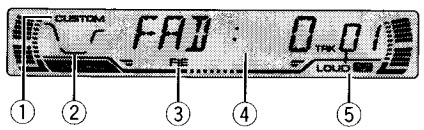
You can use these functions only with a multi-CD player that supports them.
Using COMP (compression) and DBE (dynamic bass emphasis) functions let you adjust the sound playback quality of the multi-CD player. Each of the functions have a two-step adjustment. The COMP function balances the output of louder and softer sounds at higher volumes. DBE boosts bass levels to give playback a fuller sound. Listen to each of the effects as you select through them and use the one that best enhances the playback of the track or CD that you are listening to.

1 Press FUNCTION to select COMP.
Press **FUNCTION** until **COMP** appears in the display.

- If the multi-CD player does not support COMP/DBE, **NO COMP** is displayed when you attempt to select it.

2 Press ▲ or ▼ to select your favorite setting.
Press ▲ or ▼ repeatedly to switch between the following settings:
COMP OFF—COMP 1—COMP 2—COMP OFF—DBE 1—DBE 2

Introduction of audio adjustments



① **CUSTOM indicator**
Shows when custom equalizer curve is presently selected.

② **Equalizer curve**
Shows which equalizer preset is currently selected.

③ **FIE indicator**
Shows when the front image enhancer is turned on.

④ **Audio display**
Shows the audio adjustments status.

⑤ **LOUD indicator**
Appears in the display when loudness is turned on.

● **Press AUDIO to display the audio function names.**
Press **AUDIO** repeatedly to switch between the following audio functions:
FAD (balance adjustment)—**EQ-L** (equalizer)—**LOUD** (loudness)—**FIE** (front image enhancer)—**SLA** (source level adjustment)
- When selecting the FM tuner as the source, you cannot switch to **SLA**.
- To return to the display of each source, press **BAND**.

Note
If you do not operate the audio function within about 30 seconds, the display is automatically returned to the source display. ▣

Using balance adjustment

You can select a fader/balance setting that provides an ideal listening environment in all occupied seats.

1 Press AUDIO to select FAD.
Press **AUDIO** until **FAD** appears in the display.
- If the balance setting has been previously adjusted, **BAL** will be displayed.

2 Press ▲ or ▼ to adjust front/rear speaker balance.
Each press of ▲ or ▼ moves the front/rear speaker balance towards the front or the rear.
FAD :F15 – **FAD :R15** is displayed as the front/rear speaker balance moves from front to rear.
- **FAD : 0** is the proper setting when only two speakers are used.

3 Press ◄ or ► to adjust left/right speaker balance.
When you press ◄ or ►, **BAL 0** is displayed.
Each press of ◄ or ► moves the left/right speaker balance towards the left or the right.
BAL L9 – **BAL R9** is displayed as the left/right speaker balance moves from left to right. ▣

Using the equalizer

The equalizer lets you adjust the equalization to match car interior acoustic characteristics as desired.

Recalling equalizer curves

There are six stored equalizer curves which you can easily recall at any time. Here is a list of the equalizer curves:

Display	Equalizer curve
SPR-BASS	Super bass
POWERFUL	Powerful
NATURAL	Natural
VOCAL	Vocal
CUSTOM	Custom
EQ FLAT	Flat

- **CUSTOM** is an adjusted equalizer curve that you create.
- A separate **CUSTOM** curve can be created for each source. (The built-in CD player and the multi-CD player are set to the same equalizer adjustment setting automatically.) If you make adjustments, the equalizer curve settings will be memorized in **CUSTOM**.
- When **EQ FLAT** is selected no supplement or correction is made to the sound. This is useful to check the effect of the equalizer curves by switching alternatively between **EQ FLAT** and a set equalizer curve.

● **Press EQ to select the equalizer.**
Press **EQ** repeatedly to switch between the following equalizer:
SPR-BASS—**POWERFUL**—**NATURAL**—**VOCAL**—**CUSTOM**—**EQ FLAT**

Adjusting equalizer curves

You can adjust the currently selected equalizer curve setting as desired. Adjusted equalizer curve settings are memorized in **CUSTOM**.

1 Press AUDIO to select the equalizer curve adjustment.
Press **AUDIO** until **EQ-L** appears in the display.
- If the equalizer band has been previously adjusted, the band of that previously selected will be displayed instead of **EQ-L**.

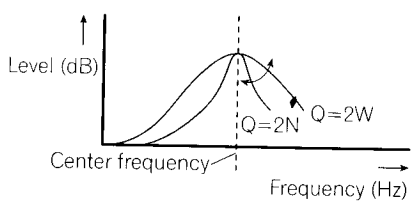
2 Press ◄ or ► to select the equalizer band to adjust.
Each press of ◄ or ► selects equalizer bands in the following order:
EQ-L (low)—**EQ-M** (mid)—**EQ-H** (high)

3 Press ▲ or ▼ to adjust the level of the equalizer band.
Each press of ▲ or ▼ increases or decreases the level of the equalization band.
+6 – **–6** is displayed as the level is increased or decreased.
- You can then select another band and adjust the level.

Note
If you make adjustments when a curve other than **CUSTOM** is selected, the newly adjusted curve will replace the previous curve. Then a new curve with **CUSTOM** appears on the display while selecting the equalizer curve.

Fine adjusting equalizer curve

You can adjust the center frequency and the Q factor (curve characteristics) of each currently selected curve band (**EQ-L**/**EQ-M**/**EQ-H**).



1 Press AUDIO and hold until frequency and the Q factor (e.g., F- 80 Q 1W) appears in the display.

2 Press AUDIO to select the desired band for adjustment.
Low—Mid—High

3 Press ◄ or ► to select the desired frequency.
Press ◄ or ► until the desired frequency appears in the display.
Low: **40—80—100—160** (Hz)
Mid: **200—500—1k—2k** (Hz)
High: **3k—8k—10k—12k** (Hz)

4 Press ▲ or ▼ to select the desired Q factor.
Press ▲ or ▼ until the desired Q factor appears in the display.
2N—1N—1W—2W

Note

If you make adjustments when a curve other than **CUSTOM** is selected, the newly adjusted curve will replace the previous curve. Then a new curve with **CUSTOM** appears on the display while selecting the equalizer curve. ▣

Adjusting loudness

Loudness compensates for deficiencies in the low- and high-sound ranges at low volume.

1 Press AUDIO to select LOUD.
Press **AUDIO** until **LOUD** appears in the display.

2 Press ▲ to turn loudness on.
Loudness level (e.g., **LOUD MID**) appears in the display.

3 Press ◄ or ► to select a desired level.
Each press of ◄ or ► selects level in the following order:
LOW (low)—**MID** (mid)—**HI** (high)

4 Press ▼ to turn loudness off.
LOUD :OFF appears in the display.

Note

You can also turn loudness on or off by pressing **LOUDNESS**. ▣

Front image enhancer (F.I.E.)

The F.I.E. (Front Image Enhancer) function is a simple method of enhancing front imaging by cutting mid- and high-range frequency output from the rear speakers, limiting their output to low-range frequencies. You can select the frequency you want to cut.

Precaution

When the F.I.E. function is deactivated, the rear speakers output sound of all frequencies, not just bass sounds. Reduce the volume before disengaging F.I.E. to prevent a sudden increase in volume.

1 Press AUDIO to select FIE.
Press **AUDIO** until **FIE** appears in the display.

2 Press ▲ to turn F.I.E. on.
- To turn F.I.E. off, press ▼.

3 Press ◄ or ► to select a desired frequency.
Each press of ◄ or ► selects frequency in the following order:
100—160—250 (Hz)

Notes

- After turning the F.I.E. function on, use the balance adjustment (refer to page 28) and adjust front and rear speaker volume levels until they are balanced.
- Turn the F.I.E. function off when using a 2-speaker system. ▣

Adjusting source levels

SLA (source level adjustment) lets you adjust the volume level of each source to prevent radical changes in volume when switching between sources.
- Settings are based on the volume level of the FM tuner, which remains unchanged.

1 Compare the FM tuner volume level with the level of the source you wish to adjust.

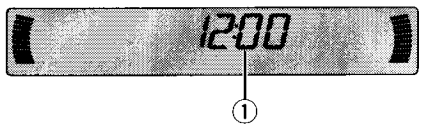
2 Press AUDIO to select SLA.
Press **AUDIO** until **SLA** appears in the display.

3 Press ▲ or ▼ to adjust the source volume.
Each press of ▲ or ▼ increases or decreases the source volume.
SLA: +4 – **SLA: –4** is displayed as the source volume is increased or decreased.

Notes

- Since the FM tuner volume is the control, it is not possible to apply source level adjustments to the FM tuner.
- The AM tuner volume level can also be adjusted with source level adjustments.
- The built-in CD player and the multi-CD player are set to the same source level adjustment volume automatically.
- External unit 1 and external unit 2 are set to the same source level adjustment volume automatically. ▣

Adjusting initial settings



Initial settings lets you perform initial set up of different settings for this unit.

① **Function display**
Shows the function status.

1 Press SOURCE and hold until the unit turns off.

2 Press FUNCTION and hold until the clock appears in the display.

3 Press FUNCTION to select one of the initial settings.
Press **FUNCTION** repeatedly to switch between the following settings:
Clock—**FM** (FM tuning step)—**AM** (AM tuning step)—**WARN** (warning tone)—**AUX** (auxiliary input)
Use the following instructions to operate each particular setting.

- To cancel initial settings, press **BAND**.
- You can also cancel initial settings by holding down **FUNCTION** until the unit turns off. ▣

Setting the clock

Use these instructions to set the clock.

1 Press FUNCTION to select clock.
Press **FUNCTION** repeatedly until clock appears in the display.

2 Press ◄ or ► to select the segment of the clock display you wish to set.
Pressing ◄ or ► will select one segment of the clock display:
Hour—Minute
As you select segments of the clock display the segment selected will blink.

3 Press ▲ or ▼ to set the clock.
Pressing ▲ will increase the selected hour or minute. Pressing ▼ will decrease the selected hour or minute. ▣

Setting the FM tuning step

The FM tuning step employed by seek tuning can be switched between 100 kHz, the preset step, and 50 kHz.

1 Press FUNCTION to select FM.
Press **FUNCTION** repeatedly until **FM** appears in the display.

2 Press ◄ or ► to select the FM tuning step.
Pressing ◄ or ► will switch the FM tuning step between 100 kHz and 50 kHz. The selected FM tuning step will appear in the display.

Note

If seek tuning is performed in 50 kHz steps, stations may be tuned in imprecisely. Tune in the stations with manual tuning or use seek tuning again. ▣

Setting the AM tuning step

The AM tuning step can be switched between 9 kHz, the preset step, and 10 kHz. When using the tuner in North, Central or South America, reset the tuning step from 9 kHz (531 – 1,602 kHz allowable) to 10 kHz (530 – 1,640 kHz allowable).

1 Press FUNCTION to select AM.
Press **FUNCTION** repeatedly until **AM** appears in the display.

2 Press ◄ or ► to select the AM tuning step.
Pressing ◄ or ► will switch the AM tuning step between 9 kHz and 10 kHz. The selected AM tuning step will appear in the display. ▣

Switching the warning tone

If the front panel is not detached from the head unit within five seconds of turning off the ignition, a warning tone will sound. You can turn off the warning tone.

1 Press FUNCTION to select WARN.
Press **FUNCTION** repeatedly until **WARN** appears in the display.

2 Press ▲ or ▼ to turn WARN on or off.
Pressing ▲ or ▼ will turn **WARN** on or off and that status will be displayed (e.g., **WARN :ON**). ▣

Switching the auxiliary setting

It is possible to use auxiliary equipment with this unit. Activate the auxiliary setting when using auxiliary equipment connected to this unit.

1 Press FUNCTION to select AUX.
Press **FUNCTION** repeatedly until **AUX** appears in the display.

2 Press ▲ or ▼ to turn AUX on or off.
Pressing ▲ or ▼ will turn **AUX** on or off and that status will be displayed (e.g., **AUX :ON**). ▣

Turning the clock display on or off

You can turn the clock display on or off.

● Press CLOCK to turn the clock display on or off.

Each press of **CLOCK** turns the clock display on or off.

▪ The clock display disappears temporarily when you perform other operations, but the clock display appears again after 25 seconds.

Note

Even when the sources are off, the clock display appears on the display. Pressing **CLOCK** turns the clock display on or off. ▣

Using the AUX source

An IP-BUS-RCA Interconnector such as the CD-RB20/CD-RB10 (sold separately) lets you connect this unit to auxiliary equipment featuring RCA output. For more details, refer to the IP-BUS-RCA Interconnector owner's manual.

Selecting AUX as the source

● Press SOURCE to select AUX as the source.

Press **SOURCE** until **AUX** appears in the display.

▪ If the auxiliary setting is not turned on, **AUX** cannot be selected. For more details, see *Switching the auxiliary setting* on the previous page.

Setting the AUX title

The title displayed for the **AUX** source can be changed.

1 After you have selected AUX as the source, press FUNCTION and hold until TITLE IN appears in the display.

2 Press ▲ or ▼ to select a letter of the alphabet.

Each press of ▲ will display a letter of the alphabet in **A B C ... X Y Z**, numbers and symbols in **1 2 3 ... > [ ]** order. Each press of ▼ will display a letter in the reverse order, such as **Z Y X ... C B A** order.

3 Press ► to move the cursor to the next character position.

When the letter you want is displayed, press ► to move the cursor to the next position and then select the next letter. Press ◄ to move backwards in the display.

4 Move the cursor to the last position by pressing ► after entering the title.

When you press ► one more time, the entered title is stored in memory.

5 Press BAND to return to the playback display. ▣

Understanding built-in CD player error messages

When problems occur during CD play an error message may appear on the display. If an error message appears on the display refer to the table below to see what the problem is and the suggested method of correcting the problem. If the error cannot be corrected, contact your dealer or your nearest Pioneer Service Center.

Message	Cause	Action
ERROR-11, 12, 17, 30	Dirty disc	Clean disc.
ERROR-11, 12, 17, 30	Scratched disc	Replace disc.
ERROR-10, 11, 12, 17, 30, A0	Electrical or mechanical	Turn the ignition ON and OFF, or switch to a different source, then back to the CD player.
ERROR-22, 23	The CD format cannot be played back	Replace disc.
ERROR-44	All tracks are skip tracks	Replace disc.
HEAT	CD player overheated	Turn off the CD player until the CD player cools down.

▣

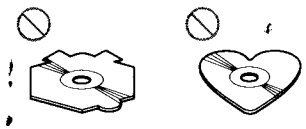
CD player and care

- Use only CDs that have either of the two Compact Disc Digital Audio marks as shown below.

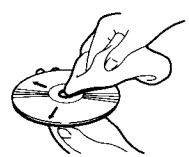
COMPACT disc DIGITAL AUDIO

COMPACT disc DIGITAL AUDIO TEXT

- Use only normal, round CDs. If you insert irregular, non-round, shaped CDs they may jam in the CD player or not play properly.



- Check all CDs for cracks, scratches or warped discs before playing. CDs that have cracks, scratches or are warped may not play properly. Do not use such discs.
- Avoid touching the recorded (non-printed side) surface when handling the disc.
- Store discs in their cases when not in use.
- Keep discs out of direct sunlight and do not expose the discs to high temperatures.
- Do not attach labels, write on or apply chemicals to the surface of the discs.
- To clean dirt from a CD, wipe the disc with a soft cloth outward from the center of the disc.



- If the heater is used in cold weather, moisture may form on components inside the CD player. Condensation may cause the CD player to not operate properly. If you think that condensation is a problem turn off the CD player for an hour or so to allow the CD player to dry out and wipe any damp discs with a soft cloth to remove the moisture.
- Road shocks may interrupt CD playback. ▣

CD-R/CD-RW discs

- When CD-R/CD-RW discs are used, playback is possible only for discs which have been finalized.
- It may not be possible to play back CD-R/CD-RW discs recorded on a music CD recorder or a personal computer because of disc characteristics, scratches or dirt on the disc, or dirt, condensation, etc. on the lens of this unit.
- Playback of discs recorded on a personal computer may not be possible depending on the application settings and the environment. Please record with the correct format. (For details, contact the manufacturer of the application.)
- Playback of CD-R/CD-RW discs may become impossible in case of direct exposure to sunlight, high temperatures, or the storage conditions in the car.
- Titles and other text information recorded on a CD-R/CD-RW disc may not be displayed by this unit (in the case of audio data (CD-DA)).
- This unit conforms to the track skip function of the CD-R/CD-RW disc. The tracks containing the track skip information are skipped automatically (in case of audio data (CD-DA)).
- If you insert a CD-RW disc into this unit, time to playback will be longer than when you insert a conventional CD or CD-R disc.
- Read the precautions with CD-R/CD-RW discs before using them. ▣

MP3 files

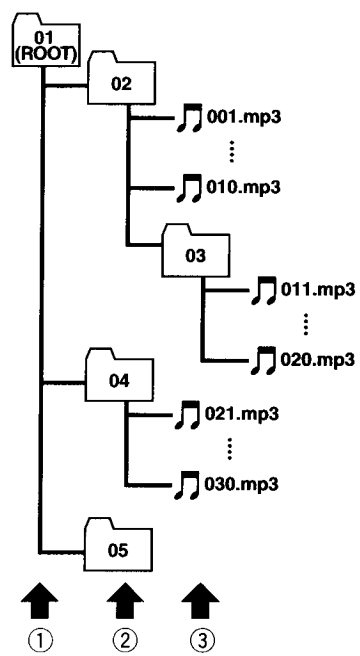
- MP3 is short for MPEG Audio Layer 3 and refers to an audio compression technology standard.
- This unit allows playback of MP3 files on CD-ROM, CD-R and CD-RW discs. Disc recordings compatible with level 1 and level 2 of ISO9660 and with the Romeo and Joliet file system can be played back.
- It is possible to play back multi-session compatible recorded discs.
- MP3 files are not compatible with packet write data transfer.
- The max. number of characters which can be displayed for a file name, including the extension (.mp3), is 32 characters from the first character.
- The max. number of characters which can be displayed for a folder name is 32 characters.
- In case of files recorded according to the Romeo and Joliet file system, only the first 32 characters can be displayed.
- When playing discs with MP3 files and audio data (CD-DA) such as CD-EXTRA and MIXED-MODE CDs, both types can be played only by switching mode between MP3 and CD-DA.
- The folder selection sequence for playback and other operations becomes the writing sequence used by the writing software. For this reason, the expected sequence at the time of playback may not coincide with the actual playback sequence. However, there also is some writing software which permits setting of the playback order.
- Files are compatible with the ID3 Tag Ver. 1.0 and Ver. 1.1 formats for display of album (disc title), track (track title) and artist (track artist).
- Only when MP3 files of 32, 44.1 and 48 kHz frequencies are played back, the emphasis function is valid. (16, 22.05, 24, 32, 44.1, 48 kHz sampling frequencies can be played back.)
- There is no m3u playlist compatibility.
- There is no compatibility with the MP3i (MP3 interactive) or mp3 PRO format.
- The sound quality of MP3 files generally becomes better with increasing bit rate. This unit can play recordings with bit rates from 8 kbps to 320 kbps, but in order to be able to enjoy a certain sound quality, it is recommended to use only discs recorded with a bit rate of at least 128 kbps.

Important

- When naming an MP3 file, add the corresponding filename extension (.mp3).
- This unit plays back files with the filename extension (.mp3) as an MP3 file. To prevent noise and malfunctions, do not use this extension for files other than MP3 files. ▣

About folders and MP3 files

- An outline of a CD-ROM with MP3 files on it is shown below. Subfolders are shown as folders in the folder currently selected.



① **First level**

② **Second level**

③ **Third level**

Notes

- This unit assigns folder numbers. The user can not assign folder numbers.
- It is not possible to check folders that do not include MP3 files. (These folders will be skipped without displaying the folder number.)
- MP3 files in up to 8 tiers of folders can be played back. However, there is a delay in the start of playback on discs with numerous tiers. For this reason we recommend creating discs with no more than 2 tiers.
- It is possible to play back up to 253 items from folder on one disc. ▣

Terms

Bit rate

This expresses data volume per second, or bps units (bits per second). The higher the rate, the more information is available to reproduce the sound. Using the same encoding method (such as MP3), the higher the rate, the better the sound.

ID3 tag

This is a method of embedding track-related information in a MP3 file. This embedded information can include the track title, the artist's name, the album title, the music genre, the year of production, comments and other data. The contents can be freely edited using software with ID3 Tag editing functions. Although the tags are restricted to the number of characters, the information can be viewed when the track is played back.

ISO9660 format

This is the international standard for the format logic of CD-ROM folders and files. For the ISO9660 format, there are regulations for the following two levels.

Level 1:

The file name is in 8.3 format (the name consists of up to 8 characters, half-byte English capital letters and half-byte numerals and the "_" sign, with a file-extension of three characters.)

Level 2:

The file name can have up to 31 characters (including the separation mark "." and a file extension). Each folder contains less than 8 hierarchies.

Extended formats

Joliet:

File names can have up to 64 characters.

Romeo:

File names can have up to 128 characters.

m3u

Playlists created using the "WINAMP" software have a playlist file extension (.m3u).

MP3

MP3 is short for MPEG Audio Layer 3. It is an audio compression standard set by a working group (MPEG) of the ISO (International Standards Organization). MP3 is able to compress audio data to about 1/10th the level of a conventional disc.

Multi-session

Multi-session is a recording method that allows additional data to be recorded later. When recording data on a CD-ROM, CD-R or CD-RW, etc., all data from beginning to end is treated as a single unit or session. Multi-session is a method of recording more than 2 sessions in one disc.

Packet write

This is a general term for a method of writing on CD-R, etc. at the time required for a file, just as is done with files on floppy or hard discs.

VBR

VBR is short for variable bit rate. Generally speaking CBR (constant bit rate) is more widely used. But to flexibly adjust the bit rate according to the needs of audio compression, it is possible to achieve compression priorities sound quality.

Specifications

General

Rated power source	14.4 V DC (allowable voltage range: 12.0 – 14.4 V DC)
Grounding system	Negative type
Max. current consumption	10.0 A
Dimensions (W × H × D):	
DIN	
Chassis	178 × 50 × 157 mm
Nose	188 × 58 × 19 mm
D	
Chassis	178 × 50 × 162 mm
Nose	170 × 46 × 14 mm
Weight	1.4 kg

Audio

Continuous power output is 22 W per channel minimum into 4 ohms, both channels driven 50 to 15,000 Hz with no more than 5% THD.

Maximum power output	50 W × 4
Load impedance	4 Ω (4 – 8 Ω allowable)
Preout max output level/output impedance	2.2 V/1 kΩ
Equalizer (3-Band Parametric Equalizer):	
Low	
Frequency	40/80/100/160 Hz
Q Factor	0.35/0.59/0.95/1.15 (+6 dB when boosted)
Gain	±12dB
Mid	
Frequency	200/500/1k/2k Hz
Q Factor	0.35/0.59/0.95/1.15 (+6 dB when boosted)
Gain	±12dB
High	
Frequency	3.15k/8k/10k/12.5k Hz
Q Factor	0.35/0.59/0.95/1.15 (+6 dB when boosted)
Gain	±12dB
Loudness contour	
Low	+3.5 dB (100 Hz), +3 dB (10 kHz)
Mid	+10 dB (100 Hz), +6.5 dB (10 kHz)
High	+11 dB (100 Hz), +11 dB (10 kHz) (volume: –30 dB)

CD player

System	Compact disc audio system
Usable discs	Compact disc
Signal format:	
Sampling frequency	44.1 kHz
Number of quantization bits	16; linear
Frequency characteristics	5 – 20,000 Hz (±1 dB)
Signal-to-noise ratio	94 dB (1 kHz) (JEC-A network)
Dynamic range	92 dB (1 kHz)
Number of channels	2 (stereo)
MP3 decoding format	MPEG-1 & 2 Audio Layer 3

FM tuner

Frequency range	87.5 – 108.0 MHz
Usable sensitivity	8 dBf (0.7 μV/75 Ω, mono, S/N: 30 dB)
50 dB quieting sensitivity	10 dBf (0.9 μV/75 Ω, mono)
Signal-to-noise ratio	75 dB (IEC-A network)
Distortion	0.3 % (at 65 dBf, 1 kHz, stereo) 0.1 % (at 65 dBf, 1 kHz, mono)
Frequency response	30 – 15,000 Hz (±3 dB)
Stereo separation	45 dB (at 65 dBf, 1 kHz)

AM tuner

Frequency range	531 – 1,602 kHz (9 kHz) 530 – 1,640 kHz (10 kHz)
Usable sensitivity	18 μV (S/N: 20 dB)
Signal-to-noise ratio	65 dB (IEC-A network)

Note

Specifications and the design are subject to possible modifications without notice due to improvements. ■